Rate schedules. approval by the Federal Power Commission. Rate schedules shall be drawn having regard to the recovery (upon the basis of the application of such rate schedules to the capacity of the electric facilities of the project) of the cost of producing and transmitting such electric energy, including the amortization of the capital investment allocated to power by the Secretary, in collaboration with the Secretary of State, over a reasonable period of years. Preference in the sale of such power and energy shall be given to public bodies and cooperatives. The Secretary is authorized, from funds to be appropriated by the Congress, to construct or acquire, by purchase or other agreement, only such transmission lines and related facilities as may be necessary in order to make the power and energy generated at said project available in wholesale quantities for sale on fair and reasonable terms and conditions to facilities owned by the Federal Government, public bodies, coopera-

Preference.

tives, and privately owned companies.

Receipts.

Sec. 2. All receipts from the sale of electric power and energy disposed of by the Secretary pursuant to this Act shall be covered into the Treasury of the United States to the credit of miscellaneous receipts as shall also moneys received from the Government of Mexico for any energy which might be delivered to that Government by the United States Section of the International Boundary and Water Commission pursuant to any special agreement concluded in accordance with

59 Stat. 1251.

Authority of Secretary.

article 19 of the said treaty.

SEC. 3. The Secretary is authorized to perform any and all acts, including the acquisition of rights and property, and to enter into such agreements as may be appropriate for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this Act applicable to him; and with respect to construction and supply contracts and the acquisition, exchange, and disposition of lands and other property, and the relocation thereof, the Secretary shall have the same authority which he has under sections 12 and 14 of the Reclamation Project Act of 1939.

53 Stat. 1197. 43 USC 388, 389.

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Approved June 18, 1954.

CHAPTER 311

June 18, 1954 [S. 3524]

AN ACT

To affirm the temporary appointments of certain officers of the Navy, and for other purposes.

Temporary Naval appointments.

61 Stat. 833. 34 USC 211a.

34 USC 350-350k.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Officer Personnel Act of 1947, as amended, is further amended—

(a) Adding to section 304 a new subsection (t) as follows:"(t) The President is authorized to affirm within one year after the enactment of this amendatory Act the temporary appointment of an officer serving in a grade by virtue of temporary appointment therein under the Act of July 24, 1941 (55 Stat. 603), as amended, except that this authority shall not apply to temporary appointments which by their terms are of limited duration. Upon affirmation the appointment shall thereafter be considered as having been effected under authority contained in this Act and service in grade under the affirmed appointment shall be computed from the date of the appointment to the grade made under the Act of July 24, 1941 (55 Stat. 603), as amended. Affirmations made under this subsection shall not be subject to qualification by examination. All affirmations of temporary appointments in grades below that of rear admiral effected under this subsection shall be regarded as having been made with the advice and consent of the Senate. The date of rank and registered number of an officer concerned may be readjusted as necessary to maintain for him the precedence evidenced by his position on the appropriate lineal list."

(b) Adding to section 312 new subsections (1) and (m) as follows: "(1) Officers of the grades of lieutenant or lieutenant (junior grade) except lieutenants of the Nurse Corps, who after March 29, 1951, have twice been considered for selection for promotions under the Act of July 24, 1941 (55 Stat. 603), as amended, and who on the date of enactment of this amendatory Act have not been recommended for promotion may be honorably discharged from the Navy as soon as practicable if they request discharge within a period of six months after the date of enactment of this amendatory Act. Such officers upon discharge pursuant to the provisions of this subsection shall be entitled to receive a lump-sum payment computed as prescribed in subsection (h) of this section.

"(m) The acceptance of a lump-sum payment under subsections (h) or (1) of this section shall not deprive a person of any retirement benefits from the Government to which he would otherwise become entitled, but there shall be deducted from such retirement benefits to such a person such portion thereof as is attributable to the active service in respect of which lump-sum payment shall have been made to him under subsections (h) or (l) until the total of the deductions so made

equals the total of such lump-sum payment."

(c) Adding to section 314 a new subsection (v) as follows:

"(v) The provisions of subsection 304 (t) relating to the affirmation of temporary appointments made under the Act of July 24, 1941 (55 Stat. 603), as amended, shall not apply to officers of the Marine Corps."

Approved June 18, 1954.

34 USC 410j. Discharge on re-

Lump-sum pay-

34 USC 626-1. Ante, p. 256. Nonapplicability.

Public Law 408

CHAPTER 312

AN ACT

To amend the Act of January 6, 1951 (64 Stat. 1221), by authorizing certain rehabilitation at the United States Military Academy.

June 18, 1954 [S. 3446]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 101, title I, of the Act approved January 6, 1951 (64 Stat. 1221), is hereby amended by inserting immediately following the words "Facilities for Army Field Force stations, \$79,722,525" a comma and the following: "of which \$497,000 shall be available for the repair, rehabilitation, and modification of cadet barracks, buildings numbered 737 and 747 at the United States Military Academy, New York".

Approved June 18, 1954.

Public Law 409

CHAPTER 313

AN ACT

To provide for the transfer of the site of the original Fort Buford, North Dakota, to the State of North Dakota.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That notwithstanding the provisions of the Act of May 3, 1950 (64 Stat. 98; 40 U. S. C. 440) the Secretary of Agriculture is authorized to consent to a grant, donation, and conveyance by the North Dakota Rural Rehabilitation Corporation to the State of North Dakota, for the use by the North Dakota State Historical Society, of that portion of the site of the

Fort Buford, N. Dak. Conveyance.